

Atty. Dkt. No. 049322-0104

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Mark Mattox  
Title: METHOD TO DECREASE  
IRON SULFIDE DEPOSITS  
IN PIPE LINES  
Appl. No.: 10/044,767  
Appl. Filing Date: 01/10/2002  
Examiner: B.S. Carrillo  
Art Unit: 1746

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

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a. Previously submitted:

- ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on \_\_\_\_.
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☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_.

☐ Other \_\_\_\_.

b. Enclosed are:

☒ Amendment/Reply.

☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

☐ Information Disclosure Statement.

☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of \_\_\_\_ listed reference(s).

☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.

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**Appln. Ser. No.: 10/044,767****MESSAGE:**

Ms. Carrillo:

Please find attached the RCE and amendment we discussed on the telephone this morning. I will follow up shortly with you and/or Mr. Gulakowski about the requested personal interview.

*Thanks,  
Steven M. Reid*

If there are any problems with this transmission or if you have not received all of the pages, please call 202.672.5340.

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Advisory Action dated August 25, 2003, and to the Final Office Action dated April 1, 2003, concerning the captioned patent application. A decision, dated July 31, 2003 (paper no. 13), that granted Applicant's petition to revive the present application restarted the period for reply as of July 31, 2003. Therefore, the new due date for a response to the Final Office Action is October 31, 2003, thereby making this submission timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this document.